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Venice, December 2.

WE have received from ſeveral Places Advices of the Damage done by the overflowing of the Rivers on the Terra Firma, which in ſeveral Places have born down many Houſes, and alſo drowned Numbers of Cattle and People, and deſtroyed the Corn ſown in the Ground. The City of Verona was overflowed by the Adige, ſo that two thirds of it were under Water, ſeveral Houſes driven down by the Strength of the Torrent, and the Warehouſes and Cellars filled with Water, with very great Loſs of Wine and Goods of all Sorts. The Nuns of the Convent of St. Daniel were obliged to retire to that dell' Angeli, and the Capuchins were obliged to abandon their Monaſtery. Recruits for the Imperial Troops which are in Sicily continue to paſs through the Veroneze, where the firſt Column of the Regiment of Foot of Bagni was expected, and was to be followed by the Regiment of Harrach. Numbers of Horſes for remounting the Cavalry in Sicily, have likewiſe paſſed the ſame Way towards Naples. The Overflowings of the Rivers have done like Damage in the Mantuan and the Breſcian as in the Veroneze.

Berne, Dec. 13. The Proteſtant Cantons have written again to the King of Pruſſia, in anſwer to his laſt Letter, thanking his Majeſty for his gracious Communication of the Steps he had taken of late in favour of the Proteſtants of the Palatinate, and imploring the Continuance of his Majeſty's Protection to thoſe poor People; aſſuring the King on their Part, of their Readineſs to do all that lies in their Power for the Relief of their perſecuted Brethren; for which End they have likewiſe lately written to the Elector Palatine. They have written in the like Terms to the Landgrave of Heſſe Caſſel, in anſwer to his Highneſs's laſt Letter. Dr. Turretin at Geneva, has lately publiſhed a Diſſertation intituled, *Nubes Teſtium pro moderato & pacifico de rebus Theologicis Judicio & inſtituenda inter Proteſtantes Concordia*, which he has dedicated to his Grace the Lord Archbiſhop of Canterbury. This Treatiſe (which is much applauded by the moderate People of this Country) recommends to the differing Sects of Proteſtants a mutual Toleration.

From on Board the Barfleur in the Mole of Meſſina, Nov. 13, N. S. The Reſolution taken by the Imperial Generals Count Mercy and M. Zumjungen, in a Conference with Sir George Byng on the 2d Inſtant, for tranſporting the greateſt Part of the Imperialiſts by Sea to Syracuſa, has ſince for certain Reaſons been changed; and the Diſpoſitions now judged moſt proper to be made, are, to keep a very ſtrong Garriſon in the Citadel and Town of Meſſina, in Melazzo, and in the adjacent Places, to ſend ſtrong Garriſons to Syracuſa and Trapani, and to eſtabliſh Magazines at the latter Place. Count Mercy has ſent General Wachtendonck over to Naples, to confer with the Viceroy there; and is alſo about to ſend Baron Neyberg to the Court of Vienna, to ſollicit the neceſſary Supplies. The Body of Men propoſed to be ſent to Trapani, is to be commanded by General Zumjungen; it being from that Part of the Country the Imperialiſts propoſe to act with Succeſs againſt Palermo.

From on Board the Barfleur in the Mole of Meſſina, Nov. 17. General Mercy being determined to continue the Military Operations during the Winter; in order to it Proviſions and other Neceſſaries are preparing and ſhipping off for 7000 Foot 300 Horſe and 200 Huſſars, which it is hoped will be ready in five or ſix Days to ſail for Trapani with General Zumjungen, who takes with him Lieutenant Generals